

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
PCT/CH98/00109

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
March 19, 1998 (21.03.98)

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
March 21, 1997 (21.03.97)

TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD FOR ANCHORING JOINING ELEMENTS IN MATERIAL HAVING PORES OR CAVITIES  
AND JOINING ELEMENTS FOR ANCHORING

APPLICANT(S) FOR DE/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DE/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☒ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).
- Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:
  11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
  12. ☐ An assignment for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
  13. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
    - ☒ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
  14. ☒ A substitute specification.
  15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
  16. ☒ Other items or information:  
Letter to the Official draftsman

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as Express Mail, Post Office to Addressee, in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on

September 20, 1999

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Date

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17. ☒ The following fees are submitted:

CALCULATIONS

PTO USE ONLY

**Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1) - (5)):**

Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO..... \$ 840.00

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) ..... \$ 670.00

No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)  
but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) ..... \$ 760.00Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor  
international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$ 970.00International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)  
and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4) ..... \$ 96.00

ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =

\$ 840

Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than ☐ 20 ☒ 30  
months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).

\$ 130

Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate		
Total Claims	25 - 20	4	x \$18	\$ 90	
Independent Claims	4 - 3	1	x \$78	\$ 78	
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)			+ \$260	\$ 0	

TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =

\$ 1138

Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity statement  
must also be filed. (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).

\$

SUBTOTAL =

\$ 1138

Processing fee of \$130 for furnishing the English translation later than ☐ 20 ☐ 30  
months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f))

+

\$ 0

TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =

\$ 1138

Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be  
accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property

+

\$ 0

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =

\$ 1138

Amount to be:  
Refunded \$

Charged \$

a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 1,138.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.b. ☐ Please charge my deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees.  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.c. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit  
Account No. \_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.**Note:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR  
1.137(a) or (b) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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